in these areas. Services of breakdown|fault locating vans are also available for attending to the complaints of breakdown.

Management of IDPL

1205. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 809 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry received complaints against the Management of IDPL in imports of Tetracycline;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the action taken;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the company is so mismanaged that it is on the brink of closure;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the company has liabilities on imported drugs and under para 7(2) of DPCO 1987 which run around rupees fifty crores; and

(e) what steps have been taken to assess the exact amount and make recovery?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI BHAJAMAN BEHERA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. However, it was found that there was no substance in the complaints.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Liability of IDPL has not been assessed so far. Recovery would be made in accordance with the due process of Law after assessing the liability.

Production and Import of drugs by M|s. Infar

1206. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 620 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s Infar are also importing most of the bulk drugs and also purchasing imported drugs from the market;

(b) if so, what are the names of those drugs, quantity imported of each during the last two years, yearwise, source of import and CIF price per unit of each as per the information provided by the company as required under measures of 1986 and DPCO, 1987;

(c) whether it is also a fact that companies are importing bulk drugs for which they are licensed to produce; and

(d) if so, what are the names of these drugs, quantity imported during the last three years, yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (d) Import of bulk drugs by individual Companies is not being monitored by this Department.

Incease in MAPE and Trade Commission

1207. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 803 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the reasons for high consumer prices of drugs is the high Maximum Allowable Post-Manufacturing Expenses:

(b) what was the basis of increase of MAPE and Trade Commission under DPCO, 1987.

whether his Ministry made any study before increasing the MAPE and Trade Commission;

(d) what is the average percentage marketing campaign expenses of the drugs formulators;

(e) whether it is a fact that drug companies are giving special discounts, free bonus etc. to retailers at the cost of consumers; and

(f) if so, what are the details available in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (c) MAPE under Drugs (Prices Control) Order 1987 is based on the measures announced by the Government in 1986. Since there has been an increase in MAPE under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, its benefits has also been passed on to the trade by increasing the trade margin. The increase in trade margin is based on the recommendations made by the Committee constituted by this Department for the purpose.

(d) to (f) Promotional Expenses etc. are not monitored by this Department. However, these expenses are required to be met out of MAPE.

Utilisation of Barauni refinery residue

1208. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it will be viable to use the petroleum residue of the Barauni Refinery in various down stream projects; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons there for?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Residue ex-Barauni Refinery is already being used by Barauni Thermal Power Station, Hindustan Fertiliser Corporation, Barauni, Fertiliser Corporation of India, Sindri etc. as a low sulphur high pour fuel.

(b) Does not arise.

Andrological Departments in Hospitals

1209. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of hospitals in the country which have Andrological Departments; and

(b) whether Government propose to start these Departments in more hospitals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) Andrology is the scientific study of the masculine constitution and of the diseases of the male sex; especially the study of diseases of the male organs. There is no separate Departments in the hospitals only for this purpose. However, male patients with sex problems are attended at every level by concerned doctors and referred, if necessary, to Endrocrinology Department which is meant for special investigation and advice for all sex and harmonal problems.

Incidence of 'Kala-Azar'

1210. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the incidence of 'Kala Azar' has increased over the recent years;

(b) what is the price of anti 'Kala-Azar' drug;

(c) whether there is a shortage of this drug; and

(d) whether there is a resistance to drugs on account of occurrence of relapses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) Yes.

(b) According to available information approximate prices for anti Kala-Azar drugs are as under:—

	Rs.
Sodium Antimony Gluconate/ Stibanate	40.00 per vial.
(First line drug : indigenous production)	—
Pentamidine isethionate	150.00 per ampoules
(Second line drug : imported)	